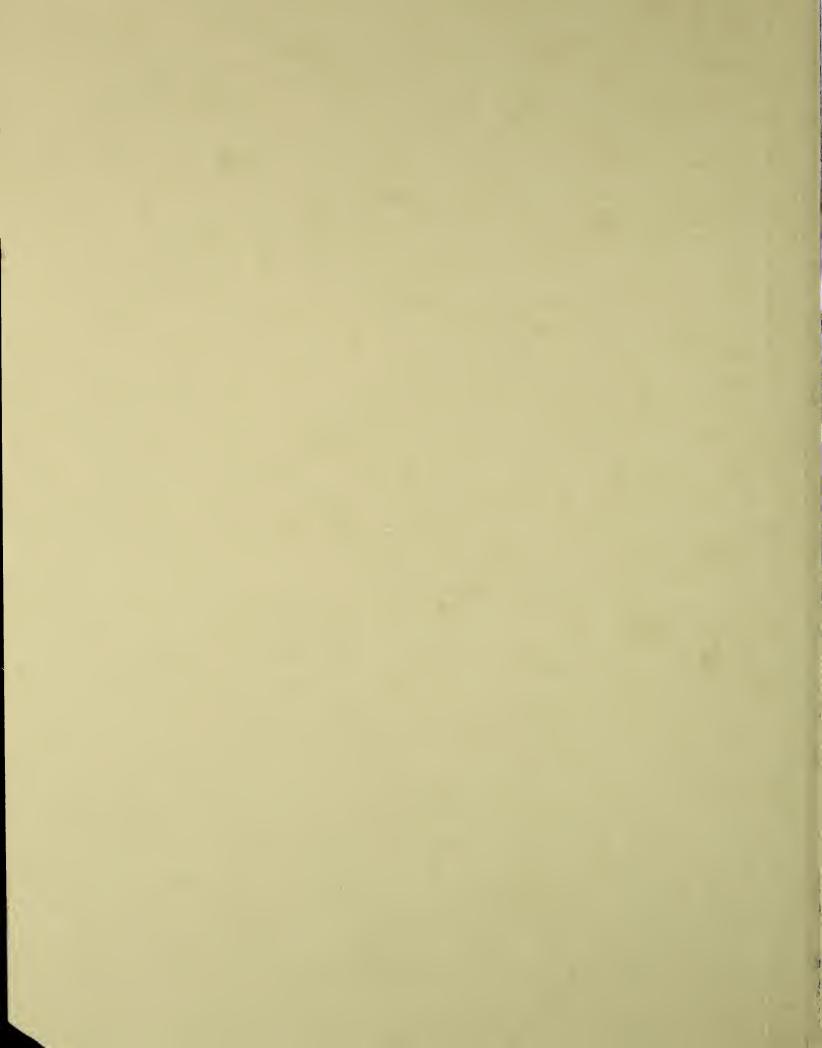
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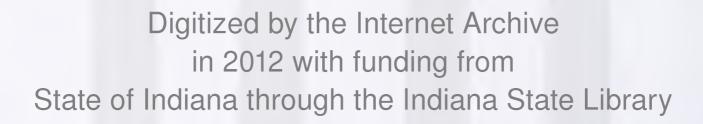


# Artists of Abraham Lincoln portraits

Lewis Miller

Excerpts from newspapers and other sources

From the files of the Lincoln Financial Foundation Collection



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# The Dominion Life Assurance Company

# Waterloo, Ontario

E.G. SCHAFER PRESIDENT

March 28, 1967.

Dr. R. Gerald McMurtry, Director, The Lincoln National Life Foundation, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Dear Dr. McMurtry:

I was very pleased to receive your letter of March 20th, and to learn that you were impressed by the Portrait of Lincoln which we sent to you through Ron Stagg. This portrait caught my eye a few weeks ago when we visited a local Art Gallery. I immediately thought of you and of your Lincoln Museum and we are certainly most pleased to send it to you if you feel that it merits inclusion in your collection.

I recently asked the proprietor of the Art Gallery to obtain more information for me regarding the actual process used in this portrait. I am enclosing a letter I have received together with the letter which is in the handwriting of the artist. This may help to give you information you might desire regarding this particular portrait.

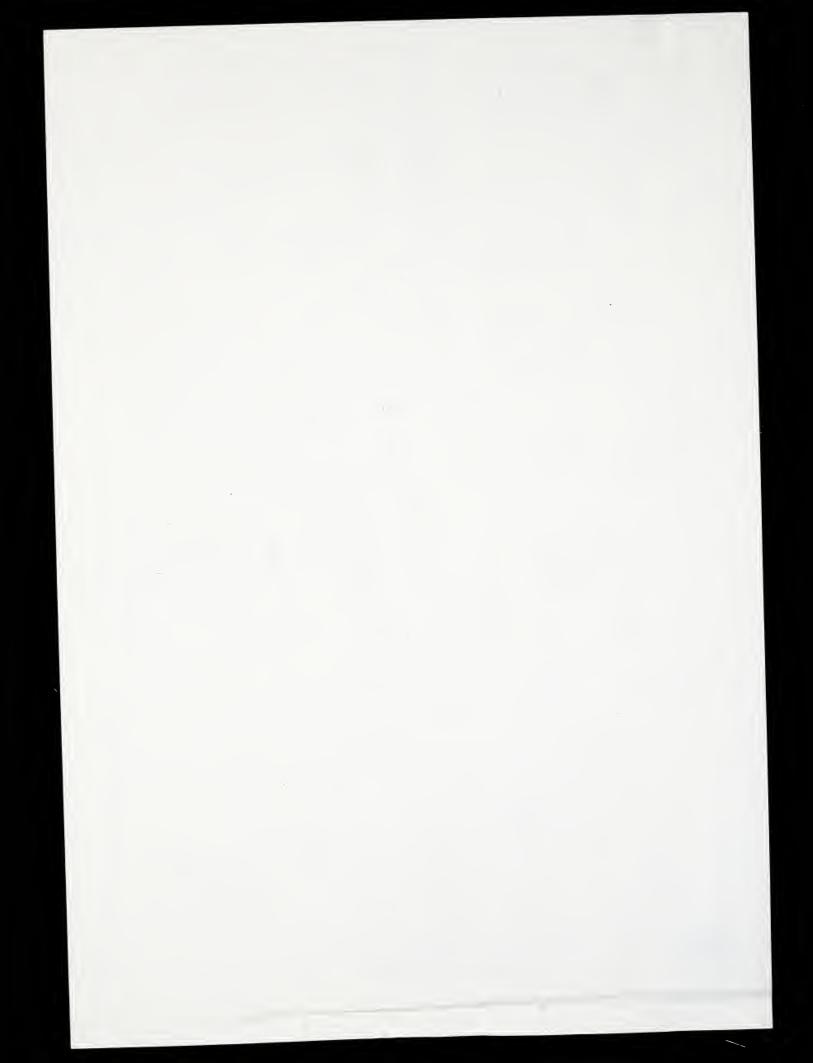
I hope that all goes well with you, and I shall look forward to seeing you on my next visit to Fort Wayne.

Yours very truly,

cc: R.G. Stagg

President





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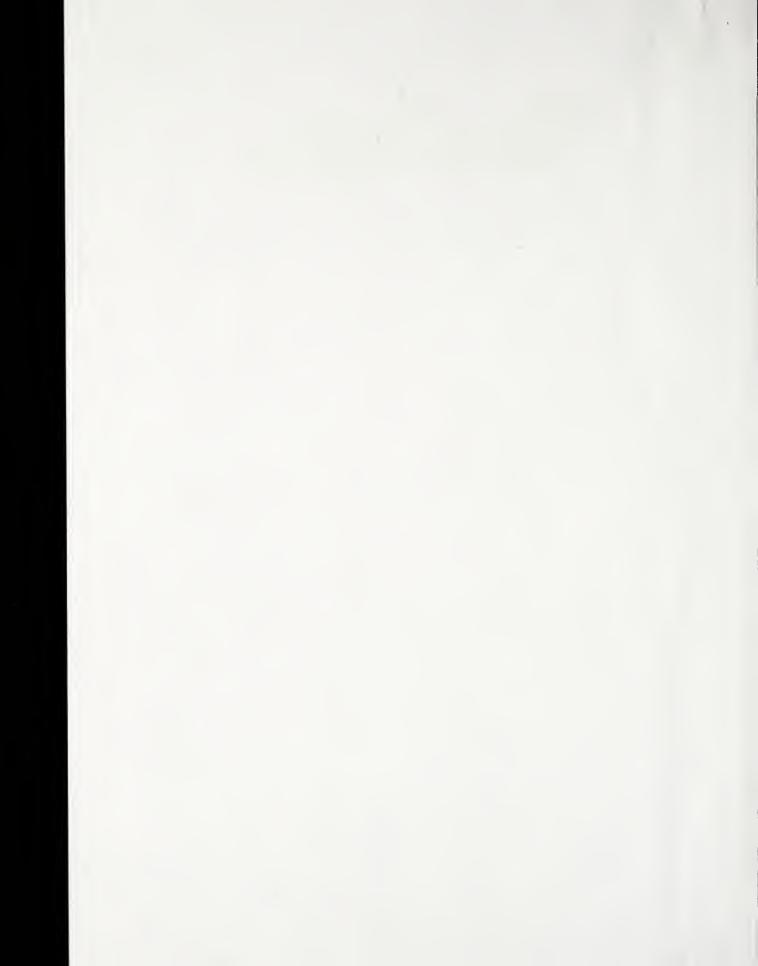
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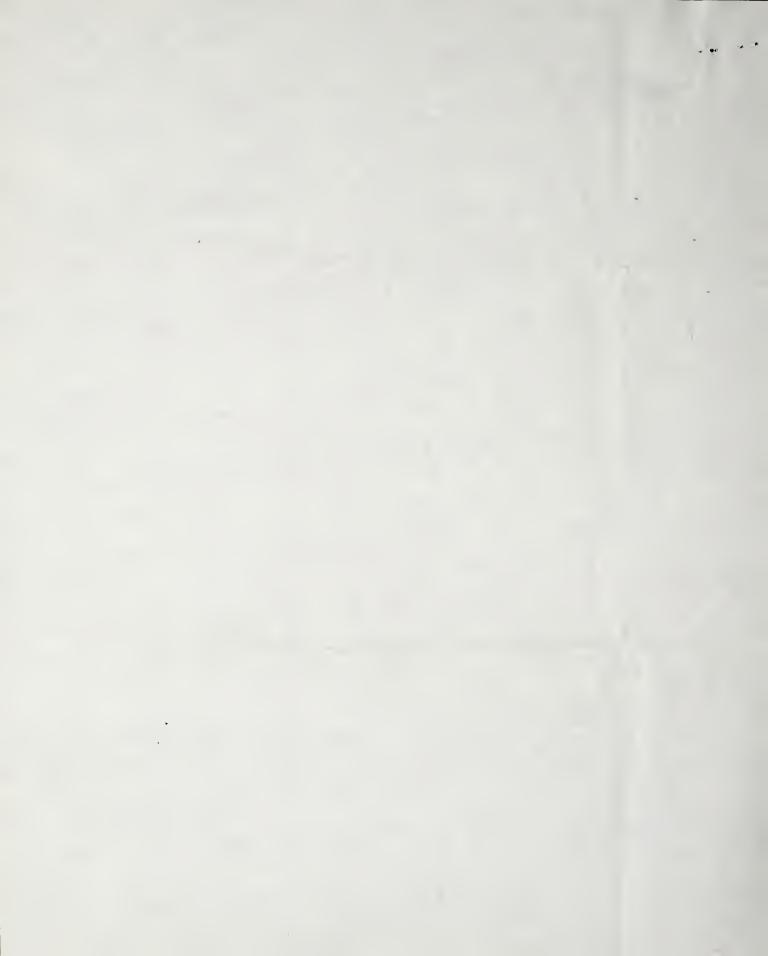
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Jerry Huddleston

R. G. McMurtry

Lincoln portrait painted on rock.

A most unusual portrait of Abraham Lincoln, painted on a slab of stone, was presented to the Lincoln Library-Museum by E. G. Schafer, president of The Dominion Life Assurance Company, Waterloo, Ontario in March 1967. Mr. Schafer was visiting a local art gallery in Waterloo when the portrait caught his eye. He immediately thought of our Lincoln Museum and forthwith purchased the painting and sent it to Dr. R. Gerald McMurtry via Mr. Ronald Stagg.

Dr. McMurtry was so impressed with the item that he requested information on the artist and his method of working. Subsequently, a letter containing detailed information was received from the artist, Lewis Miller. (He signs his work "Lewis.")

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# THE LINCOLN LOG

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### **Long Weekend Coming**

The holiday of Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 4, bringing LNL'ers their next long weekend, was once observed on Saturday. But then, Saturday was a working day for most people in the not too distant past.

The first Monday in September is observed as a holiday—Labor Day in honor of working people — in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

The celebration of Labor Day was inaugurated by the Knights of Labor who in 1882 held a parade in New York, and again in 1884 when a resolution by George R. Lloyd, one of the Knights of Labor, was passed, recommending that parades mark Labor Day.

According to an article in a U.S. Department of Labor bulletin published in 1900, Oregon was the first state to legislate for general observance of Labor Day as a legal holiday. This law, enacted Feb. 21, 1887, specified the first Saturday in June as Labor Day. In 1893 the day of observance was changed to the first Monday in September.

Other states which passed similar legislation in 1887 were Colorado on March 15, New Jersey on April 8, New York on May 6 and Massachusetts on May 11. All set the holiday as the first Monday of September.

In Europe, celebration of the first of May as Labor Day began in 1890.

#### Physician Appointed

The appointment of Dr. Joseph H. Richardson as LNL Health Service physician has been announced by the Medical Department.



DR. RICHARDSON

Dr. Richardson recently opened an office for the private practice of internal medicine and hematology at 2828 E. State Blvd. in Fort Wayne, He will be available in Health Service from 9:30 a.m. to noon for all physician

services customary to the Employee Health Service.

An Indiana native, Dr. Richardson completed his pre-medical training at Indiana University and received his M.D. degree from Northwestern University School of Medicine in Chicago in 1953.

Following his internship and service with the Navy, he continued his medical training with a three-year fellowship in internal medicine at the Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, Ohio. In 1959 he returned to Indiana and, until his recent move to Fort Wayne, was associated with the Davis Clinic in Marion.

Dr. Richardson is a certified Diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine and a Fellow of the American College of Physicians.

#### Dominion Board Posts Go To Lincoln Life Men

Ronald Stagg has been elected chairman and Gathings Stewart a member of the board





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**GATHINGS STEWART** 

of directors of Dominion Life Assurance Company of Waterloo, Ontario, an affiliate company of the Lincoln National Life Group.

Mr. Stagg, a Lincoln Vice President and Director who was born and educated in Toronto, Canada, was elected to Dominion's board in 1957. He began his insurance career with a Canadian life insurance company in 1925 and joined Lincoln in 1928 as Assistant Actuary. He has served the Lincoln as Associate Actuary, Actuary, Vice President and Actuary, and Vice President. From 1946 to 1951 he was with another company, first as vice president and actuary and subsequently, as president, and was vice president of a large eastern company before rejoining Lincoln as Vice President.

The new Dominion Life board chairman is a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries and the Institute of Actuaries of Great Britain, and is a member of the American Academy of Actuaries. He has been active in various life insurance trade organizations as a member, committee member and committee chair-

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By RUTH HIGGINS

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#### **VERLIN J. HARROLD DIES**

Verlin J. Harrold, retired LNL General Agent at Fort Wayne who had been the first editor of the Company's first house organ, died Aug. 13 at Parkview Memorial Hospital after an illness of five weeks.

Mr. Harrold retired March 1, 1958, after serving as General Agent for 27 years during which the Northern Indiana Agency became the Company's largest. He was 77, but appeared much younger.



VERLIN HARROLD

Born in Merriam and reared in Warren, he received his B.A. and M.A. degrees from Indiana University. After World War I service he became a reporter for the Washington, D.C., Star. He came to Fort Wayne in 1920

as Publicity Director for Lincoln, and founded the first office workers' house organ, Life With The Lincoln.

Mr. Harrold, whose residence was at Clear Lake, was president of the Fort Wayne Association of Life Underwriters, national committeeman to the NALU for the Fort Wayne Association, president of the Indiana Association of Life Underwriters, and was Hoosier Life Underwriter in 1956, an award received for outstanding service to the life insurance business in Indiana.

He held several important posts in the National Life Underwriters Association including membership on its resolutions committee. For several years he was a director of the Purdue University Life Insurance Marketing Institute.

He was a member of the First Methodist Church of Fort Wayne and of the Methodist Church of Fremont and was a past president of the Fort Wayne Rotary Club. He was a former secretary-treasurer and president of the Quest Club and president of the Fort Wayne YMCA. He was a member of Sol D. Bayless Lodge 359, F&AM; was commander-in-chief of Fort Wayne Consistery and was a 33rd Degree Mason.

He served on the board of directors of Parkview Memorial Hospital, the Fort Wayne Art School, the Salvation Army and the Family Service Bureau.

Surviving are his widow, Elizabeth; a son, William J. Harrold of Mentor, Ohio; a daughter, Mrs. Ray Molnor of North Olmsted, Ohio; and a sister, Martha Ruth Harrold

of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Services were held Aug. 16 at D. O. McComb & Sons Funeral Home in Fort Wayne with the Rev. Thurman B. Morris officiating. Burial was in Lindenwood Cemetery at Fort Wayne.

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#### WARM BEST WISHES TO:

Delores Gallmeyer, Policyholders Service, and David L. Nahrwold who were married Aug. 4.

Rebecca Elzey, Reinsurance, and William M. Walker who were married July 29.

Patricia Galloway, Reinsurance, and William T. Tarleton III who were married Aug. 12.

Diane A. Green, Jacksonville BSO, and Arvil Moore Jr. who were married Aug. 12.

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Patricia Tassler, Accounting, and Charles W. Nash who were married Aug. 8.

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BELOW—An unusual portrait of Abraham Lincoln obtained recently for the Home Office Lincoln Museum is displayed by Ruth Higgins of the museum staff. The artist rubbed colors into the pores of limestone to achieve the picture.



August 23, 1967

# THE LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

## JACKSONVILLE BRANCH SERVICE) OFFICE

Elmer R. U'Keefe

DATE

January 15, 1968

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SUBJECT 66-583 215 - John W. Mobley

Attached is a note we have received from the wife of our above policyholder requesting the address of Mr. Lewis Miller. I wasn't sure where I could get this information but thought that you could do so. Would you please refer it to the proper person for handling. Thank you.

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January 18, 1968

Mrs. J. W. Mobley Sr. 704 S. Broad Street Thomasville, Georgia 31792

Dear Mrs. Mobley:

We have a note from Mr. J. L. Love, manager of the Jacksonville Branch Service Office of The Lincoln National Life Insurance Company asking for information on Lewis Miller, the artist whose address you are seeking.

Although we do not have the home address of Lewis Miller, we believe that you can get in touch with him through the proprietor of the Laura Sharpe Flowers Ltd. and Art Gallery, 88 King Street South, Waterloo, Ontario. The portrait of Lincoln on limestone was displayed in this gallery.

We are sorry that we are unable to give you more specific information.

Yours sincerely.

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(Mrs.) Ruth P. Higgins Asst. to Dr. McMurtry

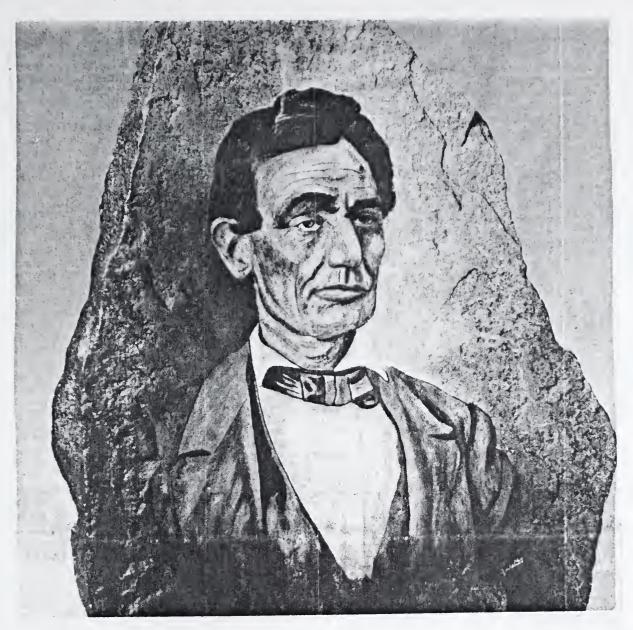
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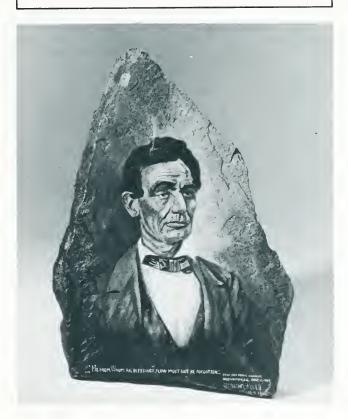
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#### NOTICE

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#### LINCOLN'S PORTRAIT ON STONE

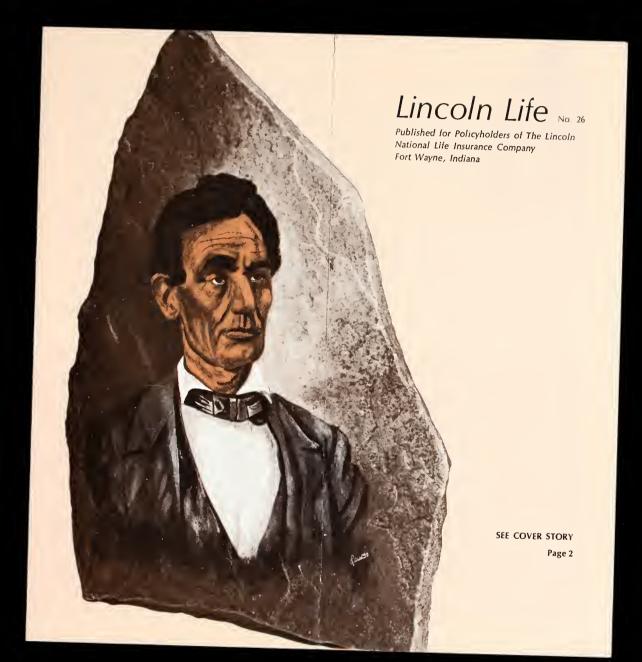
This portrait of Lincoln was painted on a piece of limestone by artist Lewis Miller. Mr. Miller who signs his work "Lewis" used a carefully selected rock taken from a quarry at Limestone, Ontario.

The stone was scrubbed with scouring powder to bleach it, and was rinsed with boiling water. After bleaching, the stone was placed in an oven and dried, after which it was sanded and washed again.

The Lincoln portrait was sketched on the stone with India ink. The first coat of dye (color) was applied with toothpicks. Wooden sticks were used throughout the process instead of brushes so that the color could be rubbed into the pores of the stone. Each color was allowed to dry before the next one was added. As many as six applications of color were made before the portrait was completed. So that the colors would be sealed, a plastic chemical was next applied to close all the pores of the stone. The final step was an application of hot oil which was rubbed heavily into the stone. Once it was wiped dry it was ready for display. Specific details of the production of the portrait are kept secret by the artist.

The limestone portrait was presented to the Lincoln Library-Museum by E. G. Schaefer, president of The Dominion Life Assurance Company of Waterloo, Ontario, a Lincoln National Life affiliate. The unusual portrait was purchased by Mr. Schoefer at an ent gallery trait was purchased by Mr. Schaefer at an art gallery in Waterloo.







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